


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICANT : Bret O. Baynham et al
INVENTION : STATIC ANTERIOR CERVICAL PLATE
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF January 19, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 19, 2007,
having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire
April 19, 2007, extendable to May 19th which falls on a Saturday
thus extendable to May 21st, and for which a Request for Extension
of Time along with the appropriate fee is filed concurrently
herewith, kindly amend the above-entitled application as follows,
no new matter is added:

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
which begins on page 5 of this paper.**

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 18 of this paper.